

Scientific Quota Advice Often Ignored by EU

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EU fisheries ministers are often accused of disregarding science when setting fishing quotas. New research shows just how much political decisions exceed scientific advice. CFP Reform Watch, based on a study of TACs from 1987 to 2011, reports that TACs were set higher than scientific recommendations in 68 per cent of decisions. On average, ministers adjusted TACs to be 33 per cent higher than recommended by fisheries scientists. The researchers argue that the Commission's proposed discards ban and introduction of transferable fishing concessions (TFCs) in the so-called Reform of the Common Fisheries Policy will not succeed in achieving sustainability "unless the process for catch allocation is reformed to place science at the heart of decision-making". More here This practice continues as described in the previous article.

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